

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BROWN COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES BOARD

Pursuant to Section 19.84 Wis. Stats, a regular meeting of the **Brown County Human Services Board** was held on Thursday, November 13, 2015 in Room 365 of the Community Treatment Center – 3165 Gershwin Drive Green Bay, WI

Present: Chairman Tom Lund
Paula Laundrie, Craig Huxford, Bill Clancy, Susan Hyland

Excused: Carole Andrews, JoAnn Graschberger, Helen Smits

Also

Present: Erik Pritzl, Executive Director
Luke Schubert, Hospital & Nursing Home Administrator
Nancy Fennema, Director of Community Programs
Eric Johnson, Finance Manager
Mark VandenHoogen, Shelter Care Supervisor
Kevin Schmeling, Shelter Care Supervisor

1. Call Meeting to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Tom Lund at 5:15 pm.

2. Approve/Modify Agenda:

LAUNDRIE/HYLAND moved to approve the agenda.
The motion was passed unanimously.

3. Approve Minutes of October 8, 2015 Human Services Board Meeting:

CLANCY/HUXFORD moved to approve the minutes dated October 8, 2015.
The motion was passed unanimously.

4. Executive Director's Report:

Executive Director Pritzl passed out copies of his Executive Director's report (attached).

When discussing the four part mental health initiative, Pritzl stated that the middle two are the easiest to implement as we already have providers in place that we could set up contracts with.

Q: Citizen Board Member Huxford asked if we are involved in the city announcement regarding them adding two employees to respond to mental health issues.

A: Director Pritzl stated that the city took up the initiative themselves but he directed the Green Bay Police Captain to connect with our Behavioral Health Manager to determine the best way to approach the change.

HUXFORD/LAUNDRIE moved to receive and place on file.
Motion was carried unanimously.

4. Presentation re: Shelter Care:

The board was given a PowerPoint handout highlighting the Shelter Care unit (attached). Shelter Care Supervisor Mark VandenHoogen gave an overview.

Q: County Board Member Clancy asked if we are in need of additional staff to handle the high client count.

A: Supervisor VandenHoogen stated that we have a highly qualified team who work together to cover higher needs. We also have a pool of on-call staff who are utilized more when numbers are higher.

Q: Citizen Board Member Hyland asked if families can interact with the children while they are staying at Shelter Care.

A: Supervisor VandenHoogen stated we do encourage family visits unless they have been removed from the home due to abuse.

Q: Citizen Board Member Laundrie asked what curriculum is used for the independent living program.

A: Supervisor VandenHoogen stated that from the state standpoint, there is no mandated service and they just require social living skills surveys to be completed. He did go over the goals of the program.

HYLAND/HUXFORD moved to receive and place on file.
Motion was carried unanimously.

6. Administrator Report (CTC):

The NPC monthly report and the QAPI summary report were submitted with the board packet agenda.

LAUNDRIE/HUXFORD moved to receive items 6a and 6b and place on file.
Motion was carried unanimously.

7. Financial Report:

A financial report was submitted with the board packet agenda.

Q: Chairman Lund asked if we have reached out to other counties to utilize our CBRF facility.

A: Executive Director Pritzl stated we are looking at doing some open house events. Other counties have been reaching out to us more frequently lately and we have seen our numbers improve.

LAUNDRIE/HYLAND moved to receive and place on file.
Motion was carried unanimously.

8. Statistical Reports:

Please refer to the packet which includes this information.

HUXFORD/CLANCY moved to receive and place on file.
Motion was carried unanimously.

9. Approval for New Non-Continuous Vendor:

Please refer to the packet which includes this information.

LAUNDRIE/HUXFORD moved to receive item 9 and place on file.
Motion was carried unanimously.

10. Other Matters:

Next Meeting: Thursday, December 10, 2015
5:15 p.m. – Sophie Beaumont, Board Room A

11. Adjourn Business Meeting:

LAUNDRIE/HUXFORD moved to adjourn; motion passed unanimously. Chairman Lund adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kara Navin
Office Manager

Brown County Human Services

Executive Director's Report to the Human Services Board & Committee

November 12, 2015

Members of the Board/Committee:

The first item to update the Human Services Board on is that the County Board passed the Human Services budget as presented. This budget has many positions and initiatives that will be helpful in improving services and operations as a department. The support of the County Executive and the County Board of the initiatives is greatly appreciated, and we, as a department, look forward to 2016.

In addition to the budget as presented, the County Board supported a significant investment in improving and enhancing mental health and substance abuse services in Brown County. A number of community members spoke in support of this four part initiative. This proposal came out of the meetings of the ad hoc Mental Health Treatment Committee, and support for the proposal came from the Basic Needs Group and the Mental Health Task Force. The proposal includes:

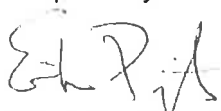
- Transitional Residential Treatment to provide substance abuse treatment, immediate access to peer support through the environment and case management in the areas of personal health and hygiene, community socialization, job readiness, problem resolution counseling, housekeeping and financial planning.
- Increasing mobile crisis capacity to provide more onsite, in-person interventions for individuals experiencing a mental health crisis.
- Detoxification Services to fund medically managed inpatient detoxification services in a hospital setting.
- Creating a Day Report Center to serve as an alternative to incarceration for non-violent adult offenders. This would include monitoring, behavioral health screening and counseling, vocational coaching and employment support.

The County Board further added funding to support training related to the Child Abuse Task Force. Training for the community, and for the department, is a worthwhile investment.

Luke Schubert, the Nursing Home and Hospital Administrator, will take time to review the reports from the Community Treatment Center included in the packet. We continue to see improvements in the census and operations at the Community Treatment Center.

Planning continues for the move of the Health Department to the Sophie Beaumont Building in 2016. A committee and workgroup structure has been established to move the project forward in a way that meets the needs of the public, and the operational needs of the departments involved. Collaboration between the departments is critical to make this a success.

Respectfully Submitted By:



Erik Pritzl, Executive Director

Brown County Shelter Care/Independent Living

Presented by: Mark Vanden Hoogen and Kevin
Schmeling

What is "Shelter Care"?

Jail/Secure Detention?



Homeless Shelter ?



Animal Shelter?




Shelter Care- Licensing Definition

Shelter Care is a non-secure juvenile court detention facility licensed by the state of Wisconsin and designed to provide short-term residence and care to male and female youth ages 10-17.



What does that mean?

- All youth that are involved in the Juvenile Court System with Brown County are eligible for placement
 - Juvenile Justice
 - Child Protection
- Whose place?
 - Court Commissioners
 - Judges
 - Juvenile Intake Workers
- Youth can be placed for up to 30 days with the possibility of (x) 15 day extensions.
 - The exceptions to this are:
 - Youth under the age of 10
 - Youth that are post disposition




What type of population do we serve?

- Youth that are removed from their home for safety concerns:
 - Parents are unable to provide care for youth
 - There is an allegation/finding of abuse
 - The environment is not healthy for living
 - Homelessness


For the most part this population will primarily be involved with Child Protection
- Youth that have a court order:
 - There is an investigation into charges
 - Violated a condition of the court order
 - Committed a criminal act

This population will primarily be involved with Juvenile Justice




What type of population do we serve continued?

- Youth in transition
 - Foster home to foster home
 - Returning back home from a higher level of care
 - Transferring to a higher level of care such as a Residential Center
- Out of County Placements
 - Out of County Placements are accepted based on the following:
 - Exercised transfer was necessary
 - The current status of the youth
 - Needs of the youth




What is needed to place a youth?

- A document that gives a juvenile intake worker the authority to place a youth:
 - Temporary Physical Custody
 - 72 hour hold
 - Court Order
 - Native of Post-Disposition Change of Placement
- Medical Authorization Form
 - Any medications that the youth is currently taking
 - They need to be in identified prescription bottles
- Relevant history of the youth and a general idea of where the case is going



Goals for Placement at Shelter Care

- To provide a safe, structured, and interactive environment
- Strengthen the youth for whatever lies ahead
- Get the youth back on the right track to become successful




Daily Schedule

- Staff lead daily recreational and educational programs designed to develop:
 - Positive self-esteem
 - Social and daily living skills
 - Independent Living Skills

The activities are based on the needs of the current population that resides at Shelter Care
- Youth are provided with educational opportunities as well
 - Depending on the individual case plan youth may attend their home school in the community
 - Green Bay Public School does provide a teacher that comes on site for youth that are unable to attend a community school

Youth can obtain credits that will be transferred to their school
The teacher works with community board schools to set up one-on-one



Numbers over the years

	CHIPS	JIPS	Delinquents	Total
2011	89	25	172	286
2012	77	70	162	309
2013	85	57	172	314
2014	105	13	249	367
2015	86	16	240	352**

Independent Living

Independent Living Supervisor: Mark Vanden Hoogen
ILS Coordinator: Sheri Konitzer

John Chafee Act

- The federal John H. Chafee Foster Care Independence Act of 1999 outlines requirements and provides funding to help identify and meet the needs of youth in an out-of-home care court ordered placement who are likely to age out of care at age 18 or older and those that age out of care up to age 21.

Brown County ILS Program History

- Prior to 2012, the ILS was contracted to an outside agency.
 - At this time the state compliance rate was 33%
- Since 2012, ILS has been facilitated out of the Shelter Care facility
 - As of July 10th, the state compliance rate was at 98%
 - This is the highest rate in the state by 11%

ILS Eligibility/Numbers

- Youth become eligible once they have reached the age of 15 ½ and are placed in out of home care
 - If a youth becomes reunified/adopted they are un-eligible for ILS services
- As of June 30, 2015 Brown County had 64 youth that were eligible for services
 - That number will fluctuate with new youth coming into the system, youth that are re-unified, or youth that move into this area.

Goals of ILS Program

- Teach youth how to become a good citizen
 - Interpersonal Skills
- Teach self sufficiency goals
 - Receive High School Diploma
 - Gainful Employment
 - Post Secondary Education

Barriers that youth face

- Unavailable Housing
 - Waitlists into transitional living programs are at least a year
- Participation by Youth
 - Youth refuse participation despite encouragement
 - Youth exit care prior to court order ending
- Unemployment
- Youth are taken advantage of
- Criminal background of youth
- Lack of funding for needed services

Community Response

- One of the first items that we discovered is that we aren't able to do it alone due to barriers that are present.
 - In late 2012, the Youth Independent Living Coalition (YILC) was formed consisting of community agencies that worked with this population.
 - Two sub groups were formed
 - One group focused on finding lifelong connections for the youth
 - The other group worked towards applying for a Basic Needs Grant

Lifelong Connections

- Brown County is developing a "Teen Pals" program that will start in early 2016.
 - This program will team up a mentor and a youth for "guided mentoring"



Aging Out Grant

- The coalition that worked on applying for the grant from Greater Green Bay Community Foundation was:
 - Brown County, CASA, American Foundations, Advocates, and Bay Area Workforce Development
- This past June we were notified that we were the recipients of the \$300,000 grant over the next 3 years.
 - This will be used to assist the aging out population

Changes coming in 2016

- The state is moving to a regional model for youth 18-21.
 - Brown County along with 16 additional counties make up Region 2.
 - Bay Area Workforce Development Board is the regional provider for this region and will take over the 18 + population
 - The individual counties still have the responsibility to oversee the 14-17 population

Questions?